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SUBJ: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON INDIANS FOR TREASURY
SECRETARY SIMON'S VISIT

REF STATE 66841

1. REFTEL SUGGESTS SECRETARY MAY WISH MEET WITH RESERVE BANK GOVERNOR JAGANNATHAN DURING VISIT BOMBAY IN EVENT JAGANNATHAN SHOULD NOT BE PRESENT DELHI DURING SECRETARY'S VISIT THERE. IF SO, WE CAN UNDERTAKE ARRANGE SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 19. JAGANNATHAN WILL, OF COURSE, BE ON IACC GUEST LIST FOR DINNER.
2. ASSUME FROM REFTEL THAT DEPARTMENT HAS BIO DATA ON JAGANNATHAN AND SENIOR DEPUTY GOVERNOR RESERVE BANK HAZARI AS WELL DEPUTY GOVERNOR CHARI. IN ANY EVENT, WE SHALL BE SENDING BRIEF BIO SKETCHES BY 27TH ON HAZARI AND CHARI AS WELL DEPUTY GOVERNORS SHIRALKAR AND SESHADRI.
3. RE PARA E REFTEL AND IN EFFORT ELIMINATE UNDERSTANDABLE CONFUSION SURROUNDING THIS MATTER, HARISH MAHINDRA, IS CURRENTLY AND WILL REMAIN PRESIDENT IACC THROUGH SECRETARY'S VISIT BOMBAY. INCOMING PRESIDENT IACC WILL TAKE OFFICE THEREAFTER AND FROM APRIL 19. BY SAME TOKEN, RAMU PANDIT, LONGTIME SECRETARY GENERAL IACC, HAS RECENTLY ASSUMED HIS NEW DUTIES AS SECRETARY INDIAN MERCHANTS CHAMBER BOMBAY. HOWEVER, BY
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INFORMAL AGREEMENT, RUMU PANDIT CONTINUING AS DE FACTO
SECRETARY GENERAL IACC UNTIL CONCLUSION MAHINDRA'S TENURE AS

PRESIDENT ON APRIL 19TH. AT THAT TIME PRESENT ADDITIONAL SECRETARY
GENERAL IACC, R.D. PANDYA, WILL ASSUME FUNCTION SECRETARY
GENERAL IACC. WE WILL SEND BIO SKETCHES ON MAHINDRA, RAMU PANDIT
AND PANDYA SINCE LATTER WORKING CLOSELY WITH RAMU PANDIT.

4. ACCORDING TO HARISH MAHINDRA, WHO PRESENTLY PRESIDENT-ELECT
FICCI, HE WILL TAKE OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF FICCI BY APRIL 27
AND IN COURSE UPCOMING THREE-DAY FICCI SESSION APRIL 25 TO 27.
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